

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

(Caption of Case)

APPLICATION OF
AFFORDABLE PHONE SERVICES, INC.
D/B/A HIGH TECH COMMUNICATIONS
FOR CERTIFICATION AS AN ELIGIBLE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER

BEFORE THE
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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August 4, 2008

VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Charles Terreni
Chief Clerk of the Commission
The Public Service Commission
State of South Carolina
101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100
Columbia, South Carolina 29210
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RE: Affordable Phone Services, Inc. d/b/a High Tech Communications
Docket No. 2008-249-C
Notice of Filing and Hearing

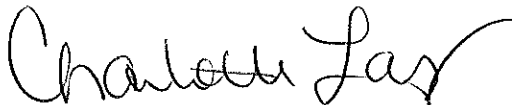
Dear Mr. Terreni:

Enclosed for filing are the original Affidavits of Publications and the dates published:

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| 1. | The Florence Morning News | July 14, 2008 |
| 2. | The Greenville News | July 12, 2008 |
| 3. | The Post and Courier | July 11, 2008 |
| 4. | The State | July 11, 2008 |

I have enclosed an extra copy of this letter to be date-stamped and returned in the enclosed envelope provided. If you have any questions, please feel free to give me a call or e-mail at (770) 232-9145 or clacey@telecomcounsel.com.

Respectfully submitted,



Charlotte Lacey, Legal Assistant to
Lance J.M. Steinhart

Attorney for Affordable Phone Services, Inc. d/b/a High

Tech Communications

Enclosures

cc: Joseph Fernandez
Scott Elliott via e-mail: selliott@elliottlaw.us

Morning News

Carolina Publishing Group

AFFIDAVIT OF INSERTION

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COUNTY OF FLORENCE

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Personally appeared before me

Carlita Patterson

The Legal Clerk for the Morning News, a daily newspaper published in the
City of Florence, County of Florence, and the State of South Carolina said
that the attached advertisement was published on 7/11/08

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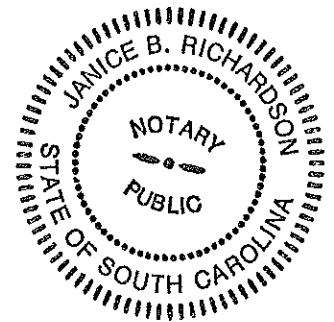
as shown by the files as said company.

Carlita Patterson

Sworn and subscribed before me this 14th day of July, 2008

Janice B. Richardson NS
Notary Public South Carolina

Commissions expires: My Commission Expires April 18, 2010



310 S. Dargan Street • P.O. Box 100528 • Florence, South Carolina 29501-0528
843-317-6397 • www.morningnewsonline.com

A Media General Newspaper Company

Ad # : 163846
Name (Primary) : SHAKER ADVERTISING
Company (Primary) : SHAKER ADVERTISING
Street 1 (Primary) : 4920 W. CYPRESS ST SUITE
City (Primary) : TAMPA
State (Primary) : FL
ZIP (Primary) : 33607-
Phone (Primary) : (708) 383-5320
Start Date : 07/11/2008
Stop Date : 07/11/2008
Publication : FMN - MORNING NEWS
Class Code : 0705 - LEGALS
Ad Sales Rep. : jrichardson - JANICE RICHARDSON
Total : \$202.20

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION
OF SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKETING DEPARTMENT
NOTICE OF HEARING AND HEARING
DOCKET NO. 2008-249-C

Affordable Phone Services, Inc. d/b/a High Tech Communications ("High Tech" or the "Applicant") has filed with the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") an Application for designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier ("ETC") pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2) and Sections 54.101 through 54.207 of the Federal Communications Commission's Rules. High Tech seeks to serve as an ETC throughout the BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. d/b/a AT&T South Carolina service territory for the purpose of receiving federal universal service support. According to the Application, High Tech is seeking only low income support and is not requesting high cost support from the Federal Universal Service Fund.

A copy of the Company's entire Application can be found on the Commission's website at www.psc.sc.gov under Docket Number 2008-249-C. A copy of the Application is also available from Scott Elliott, Esquire, Elliott & Elliott, P.A., 721 Olive Street, Columbia, South Carolina 29205.

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE a hearing on the above matter has been scheduled to begin at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, October 23, 2008, before the Commission in the Commission's Hearing Room at 101 Executive Center Drive, Saluda Building, Columbia, South Carolina 29210. Any person who wishes to participate in this matter, as a party of record with the right of cross-examination, should file a Petition to Intervene in accordance with the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure on or before August 4, 2008, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please include an email address for receipt of future Commission correspondence in the Petition to Intervene. Please refer to Docket No. 2008-249-C.

Any person who wishes to testify and present evidence

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at the hearing should notify the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below, the Office of Regulatory Staff at 1441 Main St., Suite 300, Columbia, South Carolina 29211, and Scott Elliott, Esquire, at the above address, on or before August 4, 2008, and indicate the amount of time required for his presentation. Please refer to Docket No. 2008-249-C.

Any person who wishes to be notified of any change in the hearing, but does not wish to present testimony or be a party of record, may do so by notifying the Docketing Department, in writing, at the address below on or before August 4, 2008. Please refer to Docket No. 2008-249-C.

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Persons seeking information about the Commission's Procedures should contact the Commission at 803-896-5100.

Public Service Commission of
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Attn: Docketing Department
Post Office Drawer 11649
Columbia, South Carolina 29211
JUL-03-08
(July 11, 2008)

The Greenville News

greenvilleonline.com

Classified Advertising

Date: 7/17/2008

Name: / SHAKER ADVERTISING

1100 LAKE ST

OAK PARK

IL 60301

Ad No: 4320446

Class: 0008 Legal Notices (News)

Rate: Legal Rates


Runs:

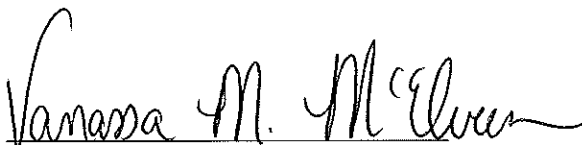
Saturday, July 12, 2008

Lines: 129

AFFIDAVIT

I, Susan F. Mullinax, being the Legal Advertising Agent for *The Greenville News*, do hereby testify that the attached legal ad was published on 129 lines as set forth above, in The Greenville News beginning on 7/12/2008 and ending on 7/12/2008


Susan F. Mullinax
Legal Advertising Agent


Vanessa M. McElveen
Notary Public for the State of South Carolina
My Commission Expires December 1, 2008

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Post Office Box 1688 * Greenville, SC 29602
Phone: 864.298.4100



305 South Main Street * Greenville, SC 29601
Toll Free: 1.800.800.5116

Ad Text:

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P.A., 721 OliveStreet, Co'
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29205.

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ADVERTISEMENT!

If I can be of further assistance, please call : Susan
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The Post and Courier

State of South Carolina

County of Charleston

Personally appeared before me the undersigned advertising Clerk of the above indicated newspaper published in the City of Charleston, County and State aforesaid, who, being duly sworn, says that the advertisement of

(Copy attached)

appeared in the issues of said newspaper on the following day(s):

07/11/2008

at a cost of \$ 254.37
Account# C0691440
Order# C221EQGT
P.O. Number: 9292630

Subscribed and sworn to before

me this 15th day

of July

A.D. 2008

Advertising Clerk

NOTARY PUBLIC, SC
My Commission expires

Form 3020

DOCKETING DEPARTMENT NOTICE OF FILING AND HEARING DOCKET NO. 2008-249-G

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Columbia, SC 29211
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THE STATE-RECORD CO., INC.
Columbia, South Carolina
publisher of

The State

STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
COUNTY OF RICHLAND

Personally appeared before me, Peggy Lawrence, Advertising Sales Support Manager of THE STATE, and makes oath that the advertisement,

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was inserted in THE STATE, a daily newspaper of general circulation for the State of South Carolina published in the City of Columbia, State and County aforesaid, in the issues of

July 11, 2008

Peggy Lawrence

scribed and sworn to before me

this day July 15, 2008

commission expires
on July 10, 2013

Robert F. Williams
Notary Public

"Errors- the liability of the publisher on account of errors in or omissions from any advertisement will in no way exceed the amount of the charge for the space occupied by the item in error, and then only for the first incorrect insertion."

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